

Clean Up Portland Harbor

Submission Date

2016-07-20 19:51:39

Letter

Dr. Ms. McCarthy, The proposed cleanup of the Portland Harbor is a big win for industry and a bad deal for the public. EPA's cleanup proposal tackles just 8% of a site area that is 100% toxic. A more aggressive plan is needed to prevent even more harm to human health and the environment. On behalf of all people who rely on the river for food, recreation, employment and culture, I urge the EPA to implement a plan that: Moves quickly and sustainably reduces contaminants causing harm to Willamette and Columbia River resources. Includes ongoing monitoring and cleanup upriver and downriver from the site. Contributes to healthy fish that are safe to eat for all people. Holds polluters accountable for creating a safer Portland Harbor. These elements get us closer to the plan our communities deserve. And I deserve a clean, safe Portland Harbor. *Submitted during the comment period between June 9, 2016 to August 8, 2016 regarding the EPA's Portland Harbor Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan.

First Name

(b)

Last Name

(b) (6)

E-mail

(b) (6)

Message (500 Character Limit)

I was born and grew up on the banks of the Columbia River. When I was a child, there were no bald eagles. The joke was that the milk we drank had so much strontium 90 in it from Hanford, they didn't know what would happen to us. We know more now about pollutants but still struggle to make the world better for the next generation. Really cleaning up Portland's Harbor by removing the pollutants for the health of people, fish and wildlife and plant life is necessary now.